

Listing of the Claims

1-9 (Canceled)

10. (Currently Amended) A vulcanized, automotive fluid-conveying hose for conveying fluids in ~~an automotive engine cooler, a~~ transmission oil cooler, ~~a power transmission cooler, radiator or heater,~~ said vulcanized, automotive fluid-conveying hose consisting of an inner tubular member, a reinforcement member on said inner tubular member, and a cover on said reinforcement member, wherein said inner tubular member consists of:

about 30 to 75% by weight of an ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymer, wherein said ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymer has a vinyl acetate content greater than about 40%;

up to about 50% by weight of a polymeric material selected from the group consisting of ethylene-propylene-diene terpolymer (EPDM), styrene-butadiene rubber (SBR), acrylonitrile-butadiene rubber (NBR), ethylene-propylene rubber (EPR), butyl rubber, cis-polybutadiene, cis-polyisoprene, polyurethane, and mixtures thereof; and

about 25 to 70% by weight of one or more additives selected from the group consisting of process aids, fillers, plasticizers, metal oxides, metal hydroxides, peroxides, coagents, antioxidants and combinations thereof.

11-22 (Canceled)

23 (Currently Amended) The hose of claim 10, wherein said ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymer has a vinyl acetate content of about 60 to 90%.

24-26 (Canceled)

27. (Currently Amended) The hose of claim 10 wherein said inner tubular ~~structure~~ member is a blend of said ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymer, said polymeric material and said additives.

28. (Previously Amended) The hose of claim 10 wherein said reinforcement member is cotton fiber, polyester fiber, rayon fiber, aramid fiber or metal wire.